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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ryo AGEHAMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2625

Application No.: 10/670,569

Examiner: S. SINGH

Filed: September 26, 2003

Docket No.: 117349

For: IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM AND METHOD

**SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF PERSONAL INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiner Singh in the September 18 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

The claim amendments and arguments set forth in Applicants' August 21, 2008 Amendment were discussed. In particular, amendments to independent claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 16, 20 and 27 were discussed in which it was clarified with specific structure and functions how a second printer (at a user system) is enabled to output an image that is identical with that output by a first printer (at a print system), different from the second printer. This is achieved, for example, by obtaining a parameter including a target profile (TP) of the first printer of a print system, and a device profile (DP) of the second, different printer of a user system, and generating a device link profile (DLP) based on the target profile (TP) and device profile (DP). Raster image processing is then executed in accordance with the parameters

including the DLP data to enable image output from the second printer that is identical with that output by the first printer.

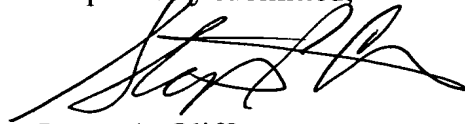
As also discussed, the TP and DP data may be obtained by a colorimeter device that scans and prints results from each printing device, and DLP data is generated using the TP data and the DP data to obtain a result upon raster image processing of a print from printer 44 as if the print were made using printing device 36.

Applicants pointed out that Komiya provides two printers 112 and 114 that may be similar, but fails to provide any teaching of how to make the output identical for test purposes, and clearly fails to teach obtaining a parameter including a target profile (TP) of a first printer of a print system, and a device profile (DP) of a second, different printer of a user system, or generating a device link profile (DLP) based on the target profile (TP) and device profile (DP). Moreover, Komiya fails to teach executing raster image processing in accordance with the parameters (including the DLP data) to enable image output from the second printer that is identical with that output. Ito fails to overcome deficiencies of Komiya.

Examiner Singh indicated that she would update the search to include the newly recited features.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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